



*Copies of Letters and Testimonials referring to Clerical
Career with Notices of some Addresses and
Presentations.*

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ULVERTON, Jan. 19, 1870.

DEAR KING,

I have just written to Tambs, and *inter alia* asked him to offer you my congratulations on your wise and commendable step—entrance into the Ministry. The Bishop told me of it when in Durham last Monday and of your appointment to St. Matthew's, Quebec.

Of course there are many reasons why you should do as you intend and I am not in the least surprised to find you taking such a step.

You had always an inclination that way—your abilities point that way—and chiefly the Diocese would not willingly let fall from its roll of laborers the name of KING.

How sagely I am talking—like some wise father, instead of the inexperienced, unwise and weak one that I am. But, dear KING, I feel it, and therefore naturally say it : for certainly nothing has given me greater pleasure since my own ordination than to hear of yours in prospect.

And all in the Diocese who have dearly at heart the interests of the Church will feel the same, when it is generally known. You know you are no one's pet darling but self-made, standing upright, independent. And these are the men we want.

My best wishes and sincere prayers (however little they may avail) are ever yours.

J. FREDERIC CARR.

DURHAM, April 28th, 1871.

(From our Travelling Correspondent).

The REV. E. A. W. KING was instituted into this Mission on Friday last, the 28th instant. Dr. Nicolls, the Rural Dean, was the institutor, and was assisted by the Revs. H. Roe, (examining chaplain to the Bishop), H. J. Petry, G. H. Parker, and F. J. Alnatt. The REV. E. KING leaves Quebec very deeply regretted, as has been very substantially shown. After the institution, the five ministers and others were all most hospitably entertained by Gardner Stevens, Esq.

QUEBEC, May 26th, 1871.

MY DEAR KING,

Dr. Nicolls gave me your letter of Institution which I enclose. This is for you to keep. It is your license.

I hope you are doing well and feeling comfortable at Durham. That you are doing well I have no doubt, but what I mean is, that I hope you are feeling comfortable in doing it.

We opened St. Matt's School House on Wednesday night, with a concert, which went off very well.

Faithfully yours,

J. W. QUEBEC.

QUEBEC, February 26th, 1874.

MY DEAR KING,

I have just got home or rather I have just got up after a good night's sleep, and I cannot help writing a line to tell you how much pleasure my visit to Durham has given me, and how much I rejoice to see how God is blessing your ministry.

When I think of what the Mission was and see what it is, and is likely to become, I am filled with thankfulness, and although I know very well that a good beginning was made by Mr. Roe and Mr. Carr, I know also how much there is besides a beginning that goes to the building up of a church; and feeling confident that you have done and are doing a great work for our Lord and Master in Durham, I cannot resist the desire I have to write to you, and tell you of my joy in you and your work.

Believe me to be,

My dear King,

Ever yours,

J. W. QUEBEC.

24th May, 1873.

On the fifty-fourth anniversary of the birth of our beloved Sovereign, Queen Victoria, a little Picnic and Concert were held at Durham, in connection with the dedication services of their new church, a beautiful and creditable little edifice.

The concert in the evening opened with the Lennoxville Chorus by a quartette of gentlemen.

In the course of the entertainment, the Rev. Mr. King was presented with a pair of slippers by the English boys of Durham, as a mark of their gratitude for his solicitous care of their welfare.

May 24th, 1874.

TO THE REV. E. A. W. KING, M. A.,

We, the young people of this part of the mission, take this opportunity of expressing the very high appreciation which we entertain towards you as our clergyman, and we desire you to accept this small offering as a token of our gratitude and esteem.

We feel that words or anything else but very inadequately express even a measure of the regard and sympathy which you have ever merited from us, or even which we wish now to convey to you, but we hope that the accompanying tribute may show in what direction the current of our affection runs.

It will not be necessary for us to assure you that you will always have our most earnest prayers that God may bless you both personally and also in your labours amongst us.

Believe us ever to be

Your affectionate Parishioners.

"PRESENTATION TO THE RETIRING INCUMBENT AT DURHAM.

On Sunday last at St. James' Church, South Durham, took place the interesting ceremony of inducting the New Incumbent, the Rev. G. T. Harding, lately appointed in the room of the Rev. E. A. W. King, M.A.

We are glad to learn that a very affectionate *address* accompanied by a *purse*, has been presented to the *retiring incumbent*, by each church in the mission, as a token of the high estimation in which he

was held and from a feeling of deepest gratitude for the self-denying zeal and faithfulness, which characterized his efforts in discharging the duties of his sacred office. Besides these public expressions, several other gifts of a private nature were made, especially a very handsome one from a member of the Jameson's School House Congregation.

The following were two of the addresses delivered at his residence on the evening before he left the parish :—

"Holy Trinity Church Congregation, to the Rev. E. A. W. KING, M.A."

REVEREND AND DEAR SIR,

July, 1875.

We, the undersigned members of the church of the Holy Trinity, Upper Durham, desire to express our sincere regret that you have decided to leave us, with whom you have labored as our Pastor for the last four years, and whose self-denying labors and untiring zeal in the cause of Christ and His church, have gained for you our entire confidence, esteem and christian love, which can only have its consummation in the reward which awaits the laborers who are worthy of their hire. We offer for your acceptance this accompanying purse praying you to value it, not for its worth but as a very small token of our appreciation of your services. We desire moreover, that you should always remember in the words of Holy Writ, "we have taken sweet counsel together and walked in the House of God as friends, not as strangers one to another, but as fellow-citizens of the Saints."

We, whose name are subscribed do indeed wish you "God Speed" in whatever part of the world He in His providence may see fit to guide you, and that "among all the chances and chances of this mortal life, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys only are to be found." Thus then our prayers are for your future, temporal and spiritual welfare.

We are,
Reverend and Dear Sir,
your sincere and affectionate
Well-Wishers in the Lord,

To the REV. ERNEST A. W. KING, M.A., and heretofore incumbent
of the mission of the Township of Durham.

REV. AND DEAR SIR.

We, the congregation of Saint Paul's Church, L'Avenir, have learned with regret that you have, no doubt after due deliberation decided to sever your connection with us as our Pastor. The arduous duties which devolved on you in the discharge of your sacred office for a period exceeding four years, together with the management of secular affairs relative to the completion and repair of the church edifices over which you were placed, have doubtless at times been very pressing upon you, but they were, nevertheless, discharged in a manner profitable and satisfactory to all, and they will henceforth be remembered with a degree of satisfaction and gratitude which words fail to express.

Please to except this small purse as a token of our feelings and of our appreciation of your ministrations among us, as our much beloved and ever respected Minister, and in whatever place you may hereafter in the Providence of Almighty God be sent to labor, may His constant care and His protecting hand be always with you, and "when our earthly house of this tabernacle shall be dissolved" may we all meet in the Paradise of the blessed dead is the sincere wish and the earnest hope of this congregation.

SAMUEL PLOYART. }
JOHN MILLS. } *Churchwardens.*

G. ATKINSON, *Lay Delegate, for and on
behalf of the Congregation of the church of St. Paul L'Avenir, this
JULY 25th 1875.*

The address from St. James' Church, South Durham, was delayed in its presentation, being delivered with a purse to the Rev. E. A. W. KING at the station prior to his departure, and cannot be here quoted, but it was similar in character to the others.

The Reverend gentleman made suitable replies to all the addresses and took an affectionate leave of his people.

*Copies of Letters conveying Overtures for Services in
other Parishes and Dioceses.*

MY DEAR KING.

FREDERICTON, Oct. 10, 1877.

I was very anxious to see you when in the Province of Quebec last month, but found it impossible. I wanted to ask you if you would come to this Diocese. I do not know how you are situated but I know you would do well here and I believe you would like both the country and the people.

I returned with the Bishop and on the way mentioned your name to him. He said he would gladly give you a Parish. I spoke of Hampton which is one of the most desirable Parishes in the Country.

The Rector is a very old man, just past work, and will probably remain somewhat longer as Rector.

But the people are now arranging for an assistant, who if he gets on will be certain to be the next Rector.

Hampton is on the "I. C. R. R.," twenty miles from St. John, and a Summer Resort.

The Bishop said he would recommend you. But there are other places besides. If you care to come, please write me, and I will speak to the Bishop.

I quite enjoyed my visit to Durham. They were talking while I was there, of petitioning for you, in case of a vacancy. I hope, however, you will prefer a maritime field of labor. We are now in the midst of the Autumn, a long and fine one.

Hoping to hear from you soon,

Yours sincerely,

J. F. CARR.

*Letter received when Travelling Missionary, Chaplain to
the Quarantine Station and Rector of Nicolet.*

SOUTH DURHAM, QUE., Oct. 25, 1877.

REV. E. A. W. KING.

DEAR SIR,—We have heard that there are certain changes to be made in this Diocese, including our own Incumbency. The people of this Mission, and we believe the people of the other Missions, viz.: L'Avenir and Upper Durham, would be pleased to have you return as our minister. We all feel that you have labored hard and energetically amongst us, and we think it for the interest of this Mission and the Church at large, as the people have expressed their wishes on all sides to have you return as our clergyman and pastor. We are sorry to say that our Church is not making the progress that was continuing when you left it, and we feel certain would revive again if you returned.

Several of our congregation have spoken about getting up a petition for your return, but we thought it best to write you first on the subject.

We have lost some of our members by death. Por Hughes and Mr. Cody were taken from us by death, and M has left the Mission.

Trusting this will find you in good health, and favorable reply,

We are, dear Sir,

Yours sincerely,

W. HARDY,
GEO KENNETH VAN, } *Churchwardens.*

*Letter Received when Incumbent of Magog and
Georgeville.*

DIXVILLE, Oct. 25, 1877.

DEAR MR. KING.

I have just learned that there is a prospect of your leaving Magog. Is there any truth in the rumor? Where do you expect to be sent, or don't you know yet? Mr. Henderson is about to leave

Dunham to take Mr. Lobley's place, in Montreal. How would you like the rectory of Dunham? I am sure you would be just the man for the place, and you would receive a hearty welcome from many. I am sure you would be happy there. There is a strong Church party who always unite to support the clergyman; and what is better still, there is a good prospect for a great increase. The parish only needs to be worked, as you well know how, in order to have a congregation of from 300 to 400 every Sunday. The salary is \$800, with a rectory and glebe, a part of which is the income of an endowment.

I know of no place where a working man would receive a better return for his labor, not in money, but in Church growth.

Will you think the matter over seriously?

I am, yours as ever,

ALBERT STEVENS.

REV. E. A. W. KING, M.A.,
Magog.

DUNHAM, QUE., Nov. 14th, 1877.

MY DEAR MR. KING.

At a Vestry Meeting, I proposed that our wardens should write and ask you if you would come to us in Mr. Henderson's place; but I was told that you had accepted an appointment. Should you mind telling me if it is so, or if you would care to come, as the men proposed may yet fail. Mr. H. continues to take Sunday work till Dec. 1st.

I shall always retain a pleasant memory of your hospitality to us as we passed through your lovely mission.

With kindest wishes,

I am, yours sincerely,

T. H. G. WATSON.

DUNHAM, QUEBEC, Nov. 25, 1877.

MY DEAR MR. KING.

Thank you for your kind letter, and thank you for the kind invitation, which my brother thinks is for me (the brother in Holy Orders.)

We are sorry to lose all chance of getting you here, but we quite agree with you that it would not be right to leave a charge in which you are but newly settled.

I will remember to turn my wishes into prayers for you. May I ask for your prayers for my *entire recovery, if it is God's will.*

We all unite in best wishes for you in your work.

Sincerely yours,

T. H. G. WATSON.

RIVIERE DU LOUP, Sept. 10th, 1879.

TO THE REV. E. A. W. KING.

REV. SIR.—We feel that we cannot let this opportunity pass without thanking you very cordially for the interest you have shewn in our welfare during the time you have been in our midst. Your duties as our pastor during the past two years have been arduous ones, as we know full well. Therefore we have had your interest in our behalf more particularly brought before us. We feel great pleasure in thanking you at the close of your official labors amongst us, and trust that in the future you will sometimes think of us and pray for our future welfare. We pray to God that he will give you health and strength to carry out your duties in your new home, and give you every comfort in this life, and a crown of glory in the life to come, is the sincere wish of your congregation at Riviere du Loup (*en bas*), and that you will accept this tray as a small token of our esteem.

Signed on behalf of the ladies of your congregation,

MRS. A. MCFARLANE.

MRS. W. WINSLEY.

FROM THE "*Witness*," SEPT. 23, 1885.

THE RECTOR OF LEVIS AND HIS PARISHONERS.

At the close of six years' work as rector of Levis and South Quebec, the Rev. ERNEST A. WILLOUGHBY KING was presented with the following address:—

To the Rev. E. A. W. King, M.A.:

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—As officers of the congregation of Holy Trinity Church, Levis, we have been commissioned to ask your acceptance of a purse of money, presented as a token of the affection and esteem in which you are held by the members of the Church of England residing in Levis and its vicinity.

It is well known that far higher interests than the interest in pecuniary gain have ruled your conduct during the six years through which you have labored so assiduously in this parish.

The monetary return that has been made to you has been felt to be inadequate by those whom you have served so well, and so, also, is the gift felt to be that is now presented to you—inadequate both as regards your own deserts and also as regards the love for you that is entertained by those who have contributed to it.

In the order of things in which man "never continueth in one stay," the dearest ties must sooner or later be broken. One such tie is that which binds priest and people together.

We grieve that the time of parting between yourself and the church members in Levis has come. We pray Almighty God that the change may be directed for good both to your own soul and to the souls of others.

And, with sincere good wishes for your happiness and success, we remain, dear sir,

Yours truly,

L. C. HAMEL, }
J. THOMPSON. } *Churchwardens.*

Levis, P.Q., Sept. 19th, 1885.

The address was read by Major Hamel and the purse presented by Mr. Joshua Thompson. It contained seventy five dollars.

In reply MR. KING said, amongst other things, that he was much gratified in heart, and very thankful to God that what he had

been enabled to do in the parish had been appreciated. His removal had not been of his own seeking, and he hoped he was right in believing it to be a providential call to other duties. He valued the generous gift of his parishioners, the more because he knew a real sacrifice was represented by it.

The wardens also handed MR. KING a copy of the resolutions passed at a recent vestry meeting expressing "regret at the termination of his long and faithful services," and wishing him "God speed" in his new position.

After the mustering of the Sunday-school another address (from the scholars) was read by Harry Tofield, and was accompanied by a purse of six dollars.

To the Rev. E. A. W. King, M. A. :

DEAR SIR,

The young people attending the Sunday-school connected with the Holy Trinity Church, Levis, desire to express their gratitude to you for the unwearied attention you have given to the affairs of the school, and the efforts you have made so continuously to promote the interests of the scholars. The remembrance of your kindness will always, they trust, have a warm place in the hearts of those who have been benefited by your prayers, your precepts and your example. It has been with feelings of the deepest regret that they have learned of the termination of your labors amongst them, and of your acceptance of a distant charge. Feeling their loss, they, at the same time, hope and believe that in your new field of duty, amongst increased numbers, your usefulness will be extended.

They could wish that the accompanying gift was more in proportion to their affection and respect. Such as it is, it is accompanied with their heartfelt good wishes for your happiness and prosperity.

Signed, on behalf of the Sunday-school scholars, this 20th day of September, A.D., 1885.

HARRY A. TOFIELD,
C. W. ANDERSON,
ALBERT E. HENNINGSON.

In reply, Mr. King said he deserved but little credit for any interest he had taken in the Sunday-School, because he was naturally

very fond of children, and was always delighted to be surrounded by young and happy faces.

He valued the purse most highly as their own personal offering, and would devote it to a photograph of the Church, which he would hang up as a constant reminder of them and their parents, and the services held therein. After a few words of counsel in the spirit of Bishop Ken's beautiful words:—

"That with the world, myself and Thee,
I ere I sleep at peace may be."

Mr. King thanked the children heartily for their presentation, and took his farewell of them and the teachers.

Mr. King began his work in Montreal, as Principal of the school at Cote St. Antoine, on the 2nd instant, but he has been going back to Levis for Sunday morning duties because no appointment has yet been made to the vacancy in his late parish.

Copy of Letters commendatory from the Bishops of Quebec and Montreal.

QUEBEC, June 16, 1885.

The REV. ERNEST AUGUSTUS WILLOUGHBY KING, M.A., Rector of Levis, in the Diocese of Quebec, being about to travel, and having requested of us our letters commendatory,—This is to certify that the said Reverend E. A. W. KING is a clergyman of good standing in the Diocese of Quebec. and as such he is hereby commended to the good offices of the faithful.

J. W. QUEBEC.

BISHOPS COURT, MONTREAL,

42 UNION AVENUE, June 22nd, 1888.

To the Authorities of the Church of England and Clergy, greeting:

The REV. ERNEST A. WILLOUGHBY KING having requested of us letters commendatory, with a view to visiting the mother country and the mother church,—I hereby commend him to the clergy and members of the Church as a Priest in this Diocese—worthy, consistent and hard working—now seeking refreshment for mind and body by a brief holiday.

Your brother in Christ,

W. B. MONTREAL.